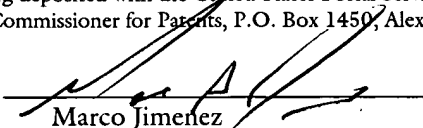




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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action dated May 28, 2004, for which a response was due on August 28, 2004, and for which a two-month time of extension is requested to extend the date of response to October 28, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: